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In re International application of  
RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY, et al.

US Application No.: 10/536,705  
International Application No.: PCT/US04/20244

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Title: RIBOSOMAL RNA METHYLTRANSFERASES  
RlmA: TARGET VALIDATION AND  
PROCESSES FOR DEVELOPING AN  
INHIBITOR ASSAY AND IDENTIFICATION  
OF CANDIDATE INHIBITORS

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

Dear Sir:

This letter is in response to Notification of Missing Requirements with respect to above-identified application sent by the U.S.P.T.O. on January 9, 2006.

Please enter the Amendment enclosed with this Response. The listings of the claims in the Amendment replaces all previous listings of the claims in this application. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that they should not be required to pay the fee for 11 independent claims over 3 (\$1100) and the fee for 73 total claims over 20 (\$1825) totaling \$2925. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added with this Amendment.

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Also, attached is the Oath and Declaration signed by the inventors in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.497, identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

Further, please find enclosed a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on January 9, 2006.

The U.S.P.T.O. is authorized to charge the \$65 small entity fee in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.27 and the \$500 fee for the Amendment to the claims enclosed with this Response, to Deposit Account No. 50-1943, if the latter fee has not been charged previously. If there are any questions, the Applicants' agent can be reached at 609-844-3021.

Dated: March 8, 2006

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